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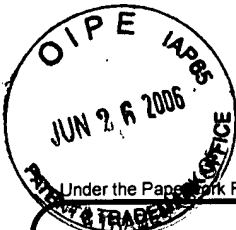
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims 20 Extra Claims 0 Fee (\$)0 Fee Paid (\$)0.00

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AMENDMENT

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This is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action dated March 20, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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